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SUBJECT: SCHUETZ MAKES HARD-HITTING SPEECH ON FRG-BERLIN TIES

1. USING THE OCCASION OF FEDERAL PRESIDENT'S FIRST VISIT
TO BERLIN, GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ GAVE BRIEF BUT HARD-HITTING
SPEECH ON BERLIN TIES WITH FRG. SCHUETZ TOLD US MINISTER
THAT SPEECH DELIVERED AT GOLDEN BOOK CEREMONY JULY 19 IN
WHICH HE DEVELOPED THEME THAT BALANCE ACHIEVED IN QA WAS
CONSIDERABLY BROADER THAN SOVIETS NOW ADMIT WAS DIRECTED AT
THREE AUDIENCES, ISVESTIVA, GDR, AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST,
CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT.

2. GOVERNING MAYOR THANKED SCHEEL FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS
AS FOREIGN MINISTER TO INCREASED SECURITY AND WELL-BEING
OF CITY. HE REMINDED AUDIENCE THAT IT WAS NECESSARY
TO BE ON HIS GUARD TO INSURE THAT BALANCE OF INTERESTS
RESULTING FROM QA WERE MAINTAINED. THIS WAS GROUND FOR
SENAT'S SENSITIVITY TO GDR CONTROL'S ON TRANSIT ROUTES
WHICH VIOLATED TRANSIT AGREEMENT. IT WAS ALSO REASON WHY
SENAT WOULD NOT LET MATTER OF INCREASED GDR MINIMUM
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CURRENCY REGULATIONS REST.

3. SCHUETZ STRESSED THAT IT WAS ONLY AFTER ALL SIGNATORIES TO QA ACCEPTED VALIDITY OF VISITS BY FEDERAL PRESIDENT TO BERLIN AS WELL AS EXISTENCE OF FEDERAL INSTITUTIONS IN BERLIN, THAT RATIFICATION OF MOSCOW AND WARSAW TREATIES WAS POSSIBLE. GOVERNING MAYOR CONCLUDED THAT IN ASSESSING WHAT SIGNATORIES GAINED FROM QA ONE MUST LOOK BEYOND BERLIN. (IE EAST BLOC TREATIES WERE TRADE OFF FOR CONCESSIONS CONCERNING TIES WITH FRG.)

4. FEDERAL PRESIDENT SCHEEL ALSO STRESSED TIES BETWEEN BONN AND WEST BERLIN AND PLEDGED HIMSELF TO WORKING FOR THE SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL FUTURE OF CITY.KLEIN

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